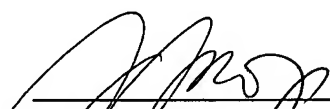


REMARKS

Since claim 1 has been amended to include the dependent claim indicated to be allowable, the application should now be allowable.

Respectfully submitted,

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